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The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on February 15, 2002 has been considered by the examiner. An initialed and dated copy of Applicant's IDS form 1449 is attached.

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